

Amendments to the Drawings:

The attached sheets of drawings include changes to FIGS. 5B, 5C, 6B and 6C. These sheets, which respectively include FIGS. 5B, 5C, 6C and 6C replace the original sheets respectively including those figures.

In FIG. 5B, leader line from 410 has been moved, and “ α ” has been changed to – β –.

In FIG. 5C, “ α ” has been changed to – β –.

In FIG. 6B, “ α ” has been changed to – W_1 – and “ A_1 ” has been changed to – B_1 –.

In FIG. 6C, “ α ” has been changed to – W_8 – and “ A_8 ” has been changed to – B_8 –.

Attachments: 4 Replacement Sheets

4 Annotated Sheets Showing Changes

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

The above amendment and the following remarks are in reply to the non-final Office action of 12/26/2006. In light of this reply, reconsideration and further examination of this application are respectfully requested.

Twenty-two claims (1-15, 17-19 and 21-24) were pending in this application. In a previous reply, 14 claims (1-14) were provisionally withdrawn from consideration. In the above amendment, none of the claims was amended, and none was added or cancelled. Accordingly, 22 claims (1-15, 17-19 and 21-24) remain pending for reconsideration and further examination.

On pages 2-4 of the Office action, the Examiner objected to the disclosure of the specification under 37 CFR 1.71, as being “so incomprehensible as to preclude a reasonable search of the prior art by the examiner,” and cited numerous examples thereof.

Responsive to the foregoing objection, the specification has been extensively amended in the above amendment, and four sheets of the drawings have been amended to render the disclosure more comprehensible. The amendments introduce no new matter. For the Examiner’s convenience, a restatement of the amended paragraphs of the specification with the changes incorporated therein immediately follows the amendments, and the drawing amendments, together with replacement sheets therefor, are attached. Accordingly, it is respectfully submitted that this objection has been overcome.

On pages 4-8, the Examiner rejected claims 15, 17-19, 21-24 under 35 U.S.C. 112, first paragraph, as failing to comply with the written description requirement, stating that “the claim(s) contains subject matter which was not described in the specification in such a way as to reasonably convey to one skilled in the relevant art that the inventor(s), at the time the application was filed, had possession of the claimed invention.”


However, in light of the above extensive amendments to the specification and drawings, it is respectfully submitted that this rejection is now moot.

On page 8 of the Office action, claims 15, 17-19, 21 and 22-23 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by the conventional art admitted by applicants. However, in light of the above amendments, which render the “shrinkage printed circuit board 100” readily distinguishable from the “conventional printed circuit board 30,” it is respectfully submitted that this rejection is now also moot. In particular, as now particularly pointed out in the instant speci-

fication and distinctly claimed in the claims, one of the distinguishing features of the present invention is that "intervals between adjacent ones of PCB land groups are smaller than intervals between adjacent ones of tape carrier packages respectively corresponding to the PCB land groups." It is believed that this feature renders the shrinkage printed circuit board of the present invention readily distinguishable from the conventional printed circuit board.

In light of the above reply, Applicant respectfully submits that claims 15, 17-19 and 21-24 are in an allowable form, and accordingly, respectfully requests that a timely Notice of Allowance be issued in this case.

If there are any questions regarding this reply, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the number below.

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FIG. 5B

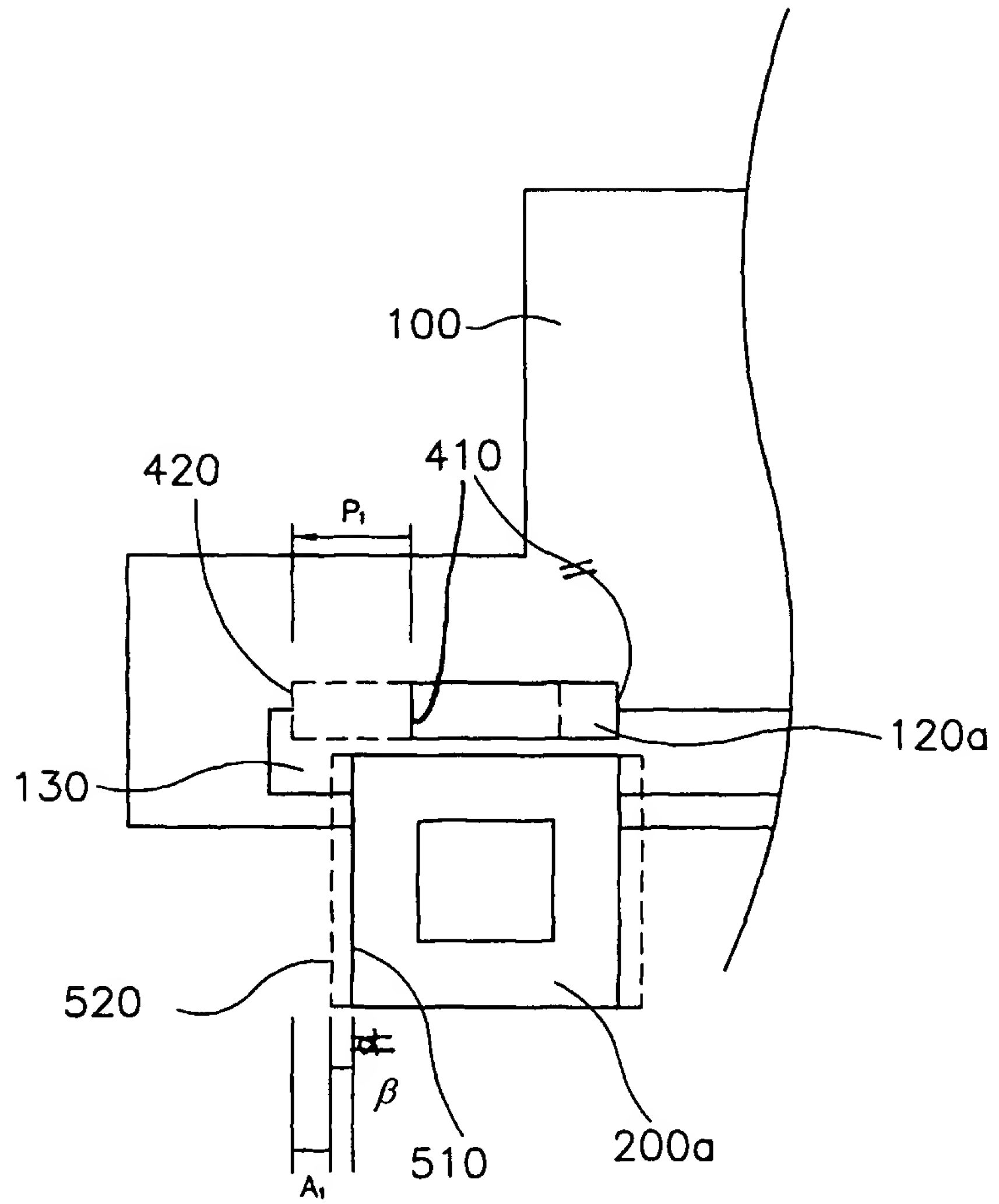


FIG. 5C

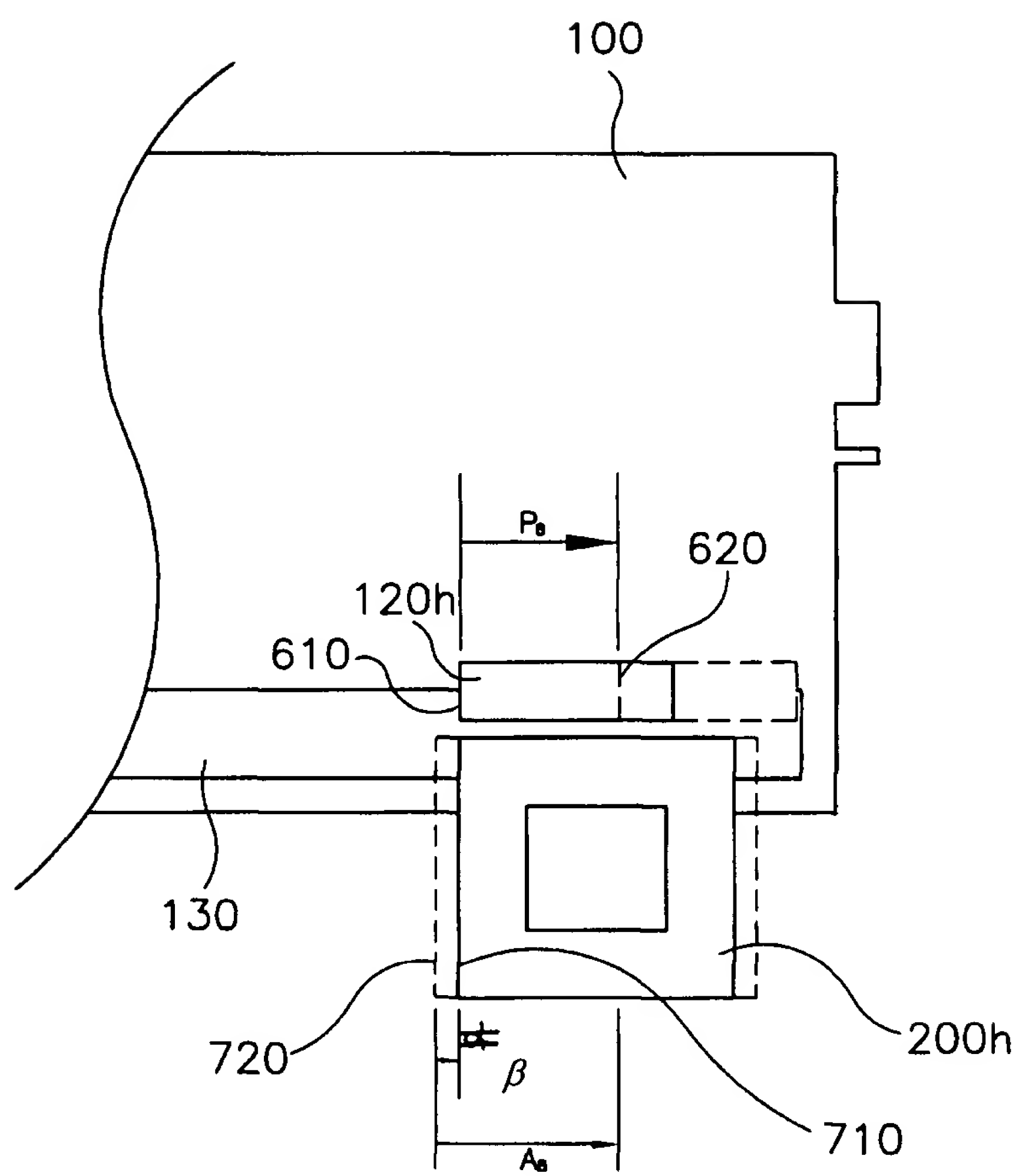


FIG. 6B

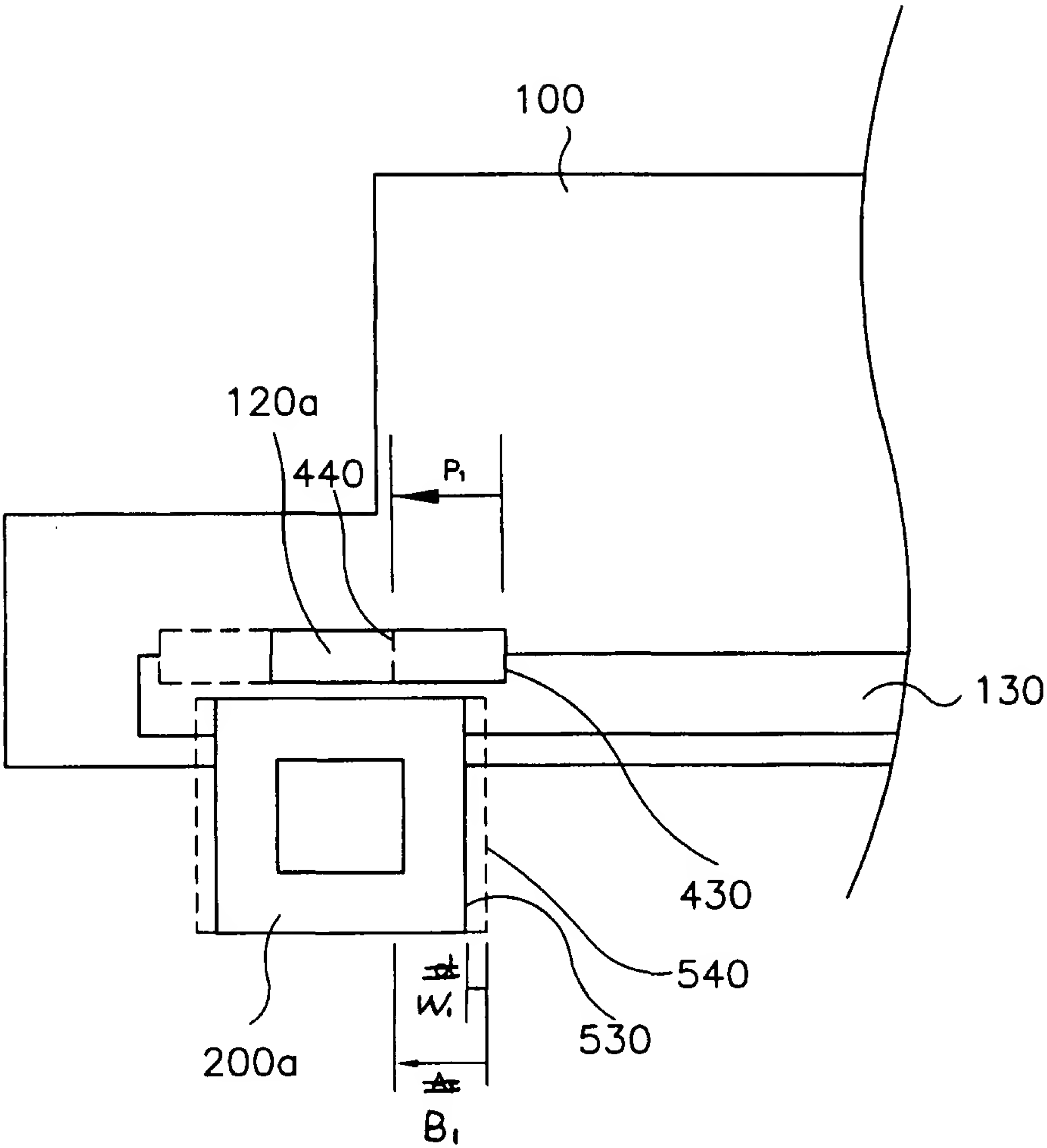


FIG. 6C

